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10.00 a.m. Parish Communion

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Every Wednesday:

9.30 a.m. Holy Communion

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## Weekly Parish Events

Mondays	6.30 - 7.30 p.m.	Junior Guild (for Church Children aged 7-14)
Tuesdays	7.30 p.m.	Whist Drive in the Church Hall
Thursdays	7.00 p.m.	Choir Practice.

## THE BULBECK BEACON

This magazine is published by the Church to serve the whole Parish. The Editor will be pleased to receive articles or paragraphs for publication, particularly from parish and village organisations. They should be sent by the 20th of each month, and addressed to:

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### **Foreword**

As I write this month I am feeling rather out of touch with the village having only just returned from convalescence after pneumonia, which put me out of action from 1st March for three weeks. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who rallied round to help my family during this period, and for all the good wishes which I received.

With all the good weather we have been enjoying recently, many of us will have been planning our summer holidays. While you are doing so, may I ask you to think of underprivileged children, desperately in need of a holiday but with no hope of getting one without the help of people such as ourselves. Last year I drew your attention to the Children's Country Holiday Fund and several of you offered to welcome one of these children into your homes for a fortnight. To give you an idea of the type of child who is helped by C.C.H.F., I quote from their newsletter:

"Standards of deprivation have changed enormously since the foundation of our fund in 1884. Thankfully, in the 1970s, we can say that the ragged street-child of the Dickensian era is no longer with us. Poverty is not our only guideline nowadays, though it is all too evident in some quarters and is particularly heart-breaking when coupled with the many social problems which beset the families whose children come into our care. But for all the children there are 'family circumstances' in the widest sense of the term, which may include such miseries as:

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 one-bed family sleeping  
 mental or physical ill-health  
 of parents

a parent in prison  
 parental neglect or desertion  
 an unmarried or unsupported  
 mother

or, perhaps the most unhappy circumstances of all, a broken home. Any or all of these strains of daily life may contribute to a fearful sense of insecurity and distress for a child, and there are few means of escape".

If you feel you can help in this good and rewarding work, the address is:

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I thought you might be interested to hear news of the Barrat family in Australia, so have enclosed a large extract from a letter we received recently. I'm afraid some of the place names are probably inaccurate - I always had difficulty in reading Peter's writing when he sent in the Parish Council notes for the Beacon, but when it comes to unfamiliar names, I find it almost impossible !

Happy Easter to you all.

Rosalind Jones.

#### FROM THE VICAR

#### **Special Meeting**

A most important event in the life of our Church this month is the Annual Meeting. Each year the importance of this meeting is stressed and yet only the faithful few bother to attend. Obviously even for Church people this rates pretty low in their order of priorities, and in this sense the Church is little different from any other society or organisation. Too often the minority attend the meetings and the majority just grumble. Yet it is the one occasion in the year when an opportunity is given to air your views or grievances. It is the part of the democratic process and so often we take it for granted. No doubt it would complain loudly if it were not there, so please come along on the 19th and say what you think, or is everything so good at Swaffham Bulbeck that no comment is needed ?

If the latter is true, then we can rightly be accused of complacency !

However I would point out that since the introduction



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only those whose names are already on the Electoral Roll (qualifications: aged 17, baptised and resident in the Parish or a habitual worshipper) are entitled to speak and vote. Others may do so with permission but they do not vote for obvious reasons.

Usually Annual Meetings tend to be rather dull affairs, as in one sense they have to be. After all reports and accounts are not the most exciting of diets, but there is no reason why it should not be enlivened. Perhaps some questions might provoke a response:

1. Is the Church doing the job it ought to be doing in Swaffham Bulbeck?
2. If not, where is it failing?
3. How can we improve our worship?
4. Is our work with children satisfactory?

Think about these and any others that come to mind and bring your questions and comments on the 19th - you will be very welcome.

#### Anglican Methodist Scheme for Unity:

The result of voting in the Diocesan Synod held on 11th March was as follows:

Clergy:	In favour	54	Against	33	Abstentions	5
Laity	"	71	"	16	"	2

At the time in writing the Diocese of Ely became the 38th to vote in favour. 4 have rejected it. The General Synod makes its decision on May 3rd.

#### **Diary for the Month**

April	2	Easter Day.
	9	Preacher at 10 a.m. Rev. Richard Smart, Diocesan Officer for Mission.
		Preacher at 6.30. Canon J. Mackay.
	16	Evensong at Reach Church. Cars will leave the School at 6.15 p.m.
	19	Annual Meeting and Election of Churchwardens. 7.30 p.m. in Church Hall.
	21/23	Weekend at Hemingford Grey.
	23	St. George Patron Saint of England.

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NB April 9th. The 8.00 a.m. service is cancelled.

The Junior Church Puppet show was a resounding success due to the efforts of Mrs Dale, Mrs Firebrace and Mrs Woollard. A large number of parents and children attended, and £5.69 was raised towards the USFG Lent Project.

A thought for Easter:

There is no day like Easter Day.  
Christmas looks forward to it; Whitsuntide  
adds further power and illumination to it.



The Church celebrates Easter Day in the early dawn, with the glorious gospel from St. John: 'Early on the Sunday morning, while it was still dark, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the entrance ....' St. Mark adds: 'He has risen, he is not here'. The Lord is seen and recognised by those who were near to him. It is not an 'open vision' to the crowds who cheered at the triumphal entry into Jerusalem, or who watched compulsively at the crucifixion. It is essentially a showing to those who could 'see and understand'. 'Amen. Come, Lord Jesus !!'

(From Springboard for Easter  
Norman W. Goodacre.)

Prayer for our country on St. George's Day.

O God, by whose will we be born to be citizens of this land, enable us to love our country not in word only, but also in deed and in truth. Let us never rejoice in any pleasure that does harm to others, nor accept a life of idleness while others toil for our comfort. Let those who have most received be ready most to give, in the spirit of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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	10.00	Mr. K. Betts	Mr. J. Golightly
	6.30	Mr. R. Butler	
April 9	10.00	Mr. A. Firebrace	Mr. A. Firebrace
	6.30	Mr. R. Bullman	
April 16	8.00	Mr. G. Woollard	
	10.00	Miss V. Rolph	Miss V. Rolph
	6.30	Mr. C. Bourne	
April 23	8.00	Mr. S. Durrant	
	10.00	Mr. K. Pratt	Mr. K. Pratt
	6.30	Mr. M. Waterfall	
April 30	8.00	Mr. J. Ford	
	10.00	Mr. J. Golightly	Mr. J. Golightly
	6.30	Mr. R. Bullman	

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On 26th February. Nenetie Hindle to Brian Pleasants,  
at Cambridge.

R. I. P.

28th February -	Walter Crick, aged 91, in Chesterton Hospital.
11th March -	Elizabeth Horlock, Vicarage Close. Aged 84.
13th March -	Ernest Charles Morgen, formerly of Commercial End, aged 87
21st March -	Leonard Butler, 14 Heath Rd. Aged 73.





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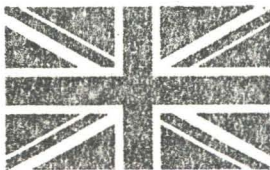
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P.T.A. (cont'd)

During the last year we have maintained a steady balance between social and educational events, and overall held the same number of events as in previous years. The committee would however welcome any suggestions for further activities: anyone with ideas should contact either the Secretary or Mr. Golightly.

By the time this report goes to press, we shall have held our Evening of Variety. We would like to thank all those who took part both on the stage and in the audience. As always at this time of year we would like to thank all those who have supported us during the year, especially the two retiring members of the committee, Hope Roberts and Alf King.



## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

In March a variety of topics was discussed, the most important of which was that news has been received from the County Surveyor that improvements to the B 1102 through Swaffham Bulbeck will be next for consideration when current schemes are completed. There was however no indication of when this might be, nor in what form the re-alignment might take. It appears that we are little further forward. It was also announced that the village did not warrant a speed limit as the conditions which must be met before one can be imposed, for example in terms of the number of accidents recorded, were not fulfilled.

Two quotations for building a footpath around the back of the cemetery were received and it is hoped that a third will be available in time for a full report on the proposals to be presented at the Annual Parish

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Meeting. The Council also discussed the situation with regard to other footpaths and suggested that footpath No 12 needed to be shown as extending from Lode boundary alongside No 1 footpath to the Swaffham Prior boundary. It was decided to discuss this at the next Parish Meeting.

This is to be held on Thursday April 6th, and it is hoped that as many members of the Parish as possible will attend.

# NOTICE

SWAFFHAM BULBECK

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

THURSDAY APRIL 6th in the CHURCH HALL at 7.30 p.m.

## THE PLAYGROUP

The Playgroup has now expanded and we are open five days per week. We are pleased to welcome children from Lode and Bottisham.

We have been enjoying the lovely Spring weather, and the children have spent a lot of time out of doors. One morning we

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went a walk up Quarry Lane - to see the ponies, all the children tightly holding a rope !

We have acquired a mattress, which the children use as anything from a trampoline to a pirate ship.

One morning we went visiting Bottisham Playgroup and our children soon made themselves at home. It was very encouraging to see the children being so confident in strange surroundings.

Jean Dixon

Ten Week Club Winners

Week 6	No 45	Mr. Thackary
7	149	Mrs Thomson
8	84	Mrs Chapman
9	92	Mr. Sadler
10	95	Mrs Piggott
£12	No 29	Mr. T. Woolley
£ 8	140	Mrs Thomson
£ 5	72	Mr. G. Fletcher
Week 1	86	Mr. J. McMillan
2	1	Mrs M. Cook
3	81	Mr. G. Palmer
4	49	Mr. V. Johnson

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from Mrs Horlock's family.

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Extract from a letter received from Peter and Betty Barrat, dated 14.2.72

P.O. Box 349  
Bathurst N.S.W. 2795  
Australia.

We Barrats have been on a good "walkabout" since arriving in Sydney in September last. Have done a total of nearly 13,000 miles in that time but at last have got established here at Bathurst, which by the way is where Mr. and Mrs Lowe's sons-in-law live. If you have not already heard from Bett's mother, I'll give you a brief account of our doings since we arrived here in Australia.

Of course, before going out west, we had a good look round Sydney to see what changes had taken place. Many fine buildings have gone up in the commercial area, but all very cramped, up to 60 stories high. By far the best is the Opera House, which is situated on the Harbour's edge, and is really beautiful. So it should be as it cost over £45 million sterling !

Having bought a 1963 Holden station wagon, we set out for Trangie, the home of our old boss, where we enjoyed a few days working with

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Life with the Barrats (cont'd)

sheep and cattle before going to stay with friends at Lyngan, an elderly couple who stayed with us at Swaffham in July 1970, where we again spent an enjoyable few days. There were plenty of kangaroos, emus and wild pigs in the area. Also we encountered our first snake, a brown one, 6 feet long, and deadly. The rear wheels of the station waggon very quickly put him to sleep. We encountered yet another one two days later, this time a black one which got the same treatment. We have not seen any more.

From Lyngan we made our way to Bohadan to spend a few days there with friends before moving on to spend yet a few more days with other friends who have a poultry farm. They too visited us in Swaffham. From there we went on to have a look at Canberra, which we enjoyed very much. It's really a beautifully planned city which has doubled its size since last we saw it in 1960. From there we went up to Sydney by the coast road which affords some beautiful views of the coastline. Back in Sydney Ian got himself fixed up with a job with a very large Australian company who have now recognised his first year's training in England, so he has over £200 back pay coming to him next week - that will make him happy.

Bett and I thought we would like to have a go at some sort of business, so we looked around the Gosford area and got interested in one - a milk bar. These are very popular out here, but we did not take the plunge. So I then got a job with Walton's Dept. Store as a management trainee, on the understanding I would be assigned to a country town within three months, as we did not wish to stay in Sydney, which is a real rat race and expensive.

At breakfast in early December, Susan was looking down the columns of businesses for sale and saw one for the lease of a caravan park on the shore of Lake Macquarie, so we applied with 35 others, got it and signed up the lease to take over on Feb 1st. We arranged to go there one week before Christmas and work there until takeover for wages. Then we learned one or two facts that discouraged us so we pulled out. As Bett is very keen on the west of the State in spite of heat, dust and flies, we made our way to Dubbo, where I applied for 5 positions, hoping that if I got one it would be at Dubbo, as we had our eyes on a small farm just a few miles out of town at a very reasonable price, but it was not to be. Of the 3 positions I was offered we selected the one at Bathurst which is buyer for a household textiles. We have bought a house, old, but we think very delightful. Corner block with park at the side of us. Large garden, trees and shrubs. Hope to be in within 6 weeks.

Bathurst is a beautiful country city, just 1800 population. Centre for Church of England in the west. Has a very beautiful new cathedral, built less than a year ago. Things move here at a very leisurely pace; no traffic problems - all roads are 66ft wide; no parking meters and not even a set of traffic lights in the whole of Bathurst. So we feel it is not a bad place to settle down with good schools for Sue and Ross and only 121 miles for Ian to come up at weekends.

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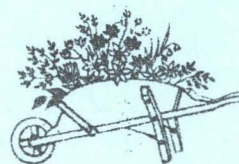
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all the weeds and stones, then give your garden a clear border of stones or bricks.



When the soil is all prepared and fine you can think what you're going to set. If you decide on flowers I suggest that a few of you get together and decide what packets to buy. You can all buy a packet and each person can have a few seeds from each packet. In this way you'll get a mixture of flowers.

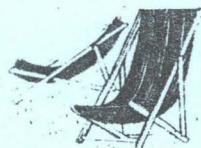
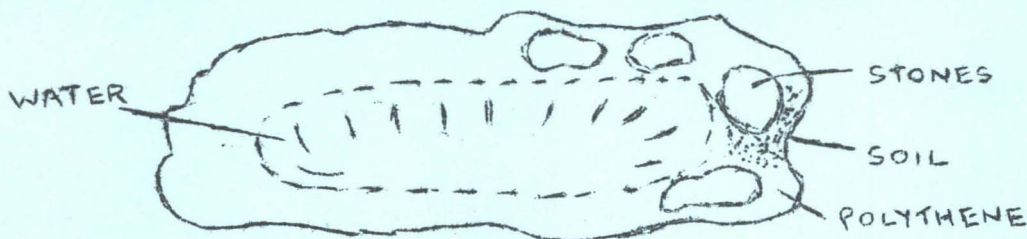


Flowers which seem to grow well are nasturtium, lobelia, mesembryanthemum, sweet peas, or you could get some ornamental gourds which are certainly interesting.

You may decide on a vegetable garden and you'll certainly be popular with your mother if you do. You'll get quick results if you set radishes, lettuce, parsley, spring onions.

Packets of seeds can be bought from the village shop for 5p each.

If you want to put a little pool in your garden it isn't impossible if you're careful. You need some heavy polythene sheeting (I have some if you would like to call for it). Cut out a large circle of polythene and then lay this in a shallow hole which you have prepared. Then weight it down with stones and earth round the edge.



Finally fill it with water. You could then try and catch some water beetles, sticklebacks, minnows or any pond wildlife and stock your pond. And don't forget pond week. Creatures need to hide away from light and peering people, and they need the oxygen which the plants give out.

Well good luck with your garden. Prepare it carefully and weed it when necessary and in summer you will feel really proud of it.

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Sat Apr 29	v	QUY	Away	Haig Village Cricket Tournament
Sat May 13	v	WITCHAM	Home	Cambs League
Sat May 20	v	LANDBEACH	Away	" "
Sat May 27	v	LITTLE THETFORD	Home	Junior Cup
Sat Jun 3	v	WITCHAM	Away	Cambs League
Sun Jun 4		Watney Cup Six-a-Side K.O. at Burwell. 1.30 p.m.		
Sat Jun 17	v	BURROUGH GREEN II	Home	Cambs League
Sat Jun 24	v	SWAFFHAM PRIOR	Home	" "
Sat Jul 1	v	LITTLE DOWNHAM II	Away	" "
Sat Jul 8	v	LANDBEACH	Home	" "
Sat Jul 15	v	SWAFFHAM PRIOR	Away	" "
Sat Jul 29	v	BURROUGH GREEN II	Away	" "
Sat Aug 19	v	LITTLE DOWNHAM II	Home	" "

NB

Date for the Annual Six-a-Side Competition at Wilbraham is not yet available.

Anyone wishing to arrange a Friendly Match should contact either the Captain or the Secretary to ensure that the date is available.

Wanted:                      Bowlers  
                                     Batsmen  
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# Cricket

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## FIXTURES

Already there are amendments to the list on  
the previous page. They are:

Haig Tournament Match v Quy. NOT April 29th. Either Sunday  
30th or on two evenings. Notices later.

League Match Aug 19th v LITTLE DOWNHAM II. NOW August 12th

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